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### **Acoustic Café Offers More to Enjoy Downtown**

So you want to perform in downtown Greenville? Beginning this weekend, musicians, magicians and mimes are welcome to do just that.

The City of Greenville announces the establishment of *Acoustic Café*, a program to schedule and promote street performance at five downtown locations: City Hall Plaza, Piazza Bergamo, Hyatt Plaza, Court Square and the Shoeless Joe Jackson Plaza. Performance times are from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily.

“It will be great to stroll down Main Street on a beautiful evening, and enjoy local performers,” Mayor Knox White said. “It contributes to the quality of life in downtown Greenville, and encourages artistic expression – particularly among young people.”

The City will promote the *Acoustic Café* performance schedule on the web at [www.greatergreenville.com](http://www.greatergreenville.com), on the events line at 467-5741, and in the City’s monthly events newsletter (register to receive it at [www.greatergreenville.com](http://www.greatergreenville.com)).

The *Acoustic Café* operates under a simple set of guidelines:

- Participants will apply for a performance permit at one of the five downtown locations. The City of Greenville Special Events bureau will select performers based on the type of performance and its family-friendly appeal.
- Performers are allowed to accept donations by using a city-allocated donation box. Merchandise (such as a performer’s CDs) may be sold, but must be pre-approved.
- Performers, once selected, are scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Amplification is allowed once a month, with permission from the Special Events bureau.

Additional information and permit applications are available by contacting Pam Davis at 864-467-4485.